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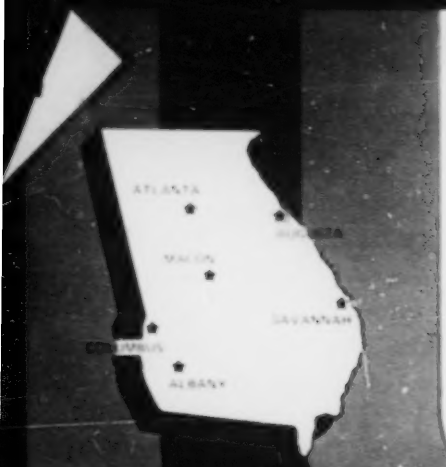

GEORGIA LABOR MARKET TRENDS

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DIVERSITY KEEPS GEORGIA'S ECONOMY HEALTHY

The composition of Georgia's economy closely parallels that of the United States as a whole, a situation which has served the state well through a number of recessionary periods. Here, as in the remainder of the country, the trend is away from manufacturing and toward increases in services and trade. Manufacturing employment constituted 20.8 percent of nonagricultural wage and salary employment in the U.S. in 1983, it was 22.4 percent of the state's employment. Trade employment was 22.8 percent of the national figure, 24 percent of the state total. The largest difference was seen in the service industries. Nationally, they comprised 21.9 percent of nonagricultural employment, but only 17.4 percent in Georgia.

Some significant employment shifts have occurred in this state during the past decade. From 1973, manufacturing's share has dropped from 27.4 percent to 22.4 percent of the total. This resulted largely from declines in textiles and apparel, Georgia's largest manufacturing industries. In 1973, these two industries provided 200,100 jobs, more than 40 percent of all manufacturing jobs in the state. By 1983, the number had dropped to 172,300, slightly more than a third of manufacturing employment. Most of the increase in manufacturing jobs has been in the durable goods sector. The reopening of General Motors' Lakewood Assembly Plant will further increase employment in this sector.

The increase in two-earner families has spurred the growth of the service industries. The combination of less time and more disposable income has caused families to pay others to perform jobs they once did for themselves, just as the increase in the number of working wives has led to greater demand for child care services. From 13.8 percent of employment in 1973, the service industries accounted for 17.4 percent in 1983.

Trade is another division that has assumed more importance in the state's economy. It now comprises 24 percent of all nonagricultural jobs, as compared to 22.1 percent 10 years ago. Growth has been almost equally proportionate between wholesale and retail trade.

Although employment in the government sector has increased during the decade, the rate of growth has slowed. In 1983, 19.2 percent of jobs were in government, up 1.0 percent from 1973. The peak years were 1978 and 1980, however, when the percentage reached 19.9.

Construction's share of jobs has dropped, reflecting the multiple effects of recession, high

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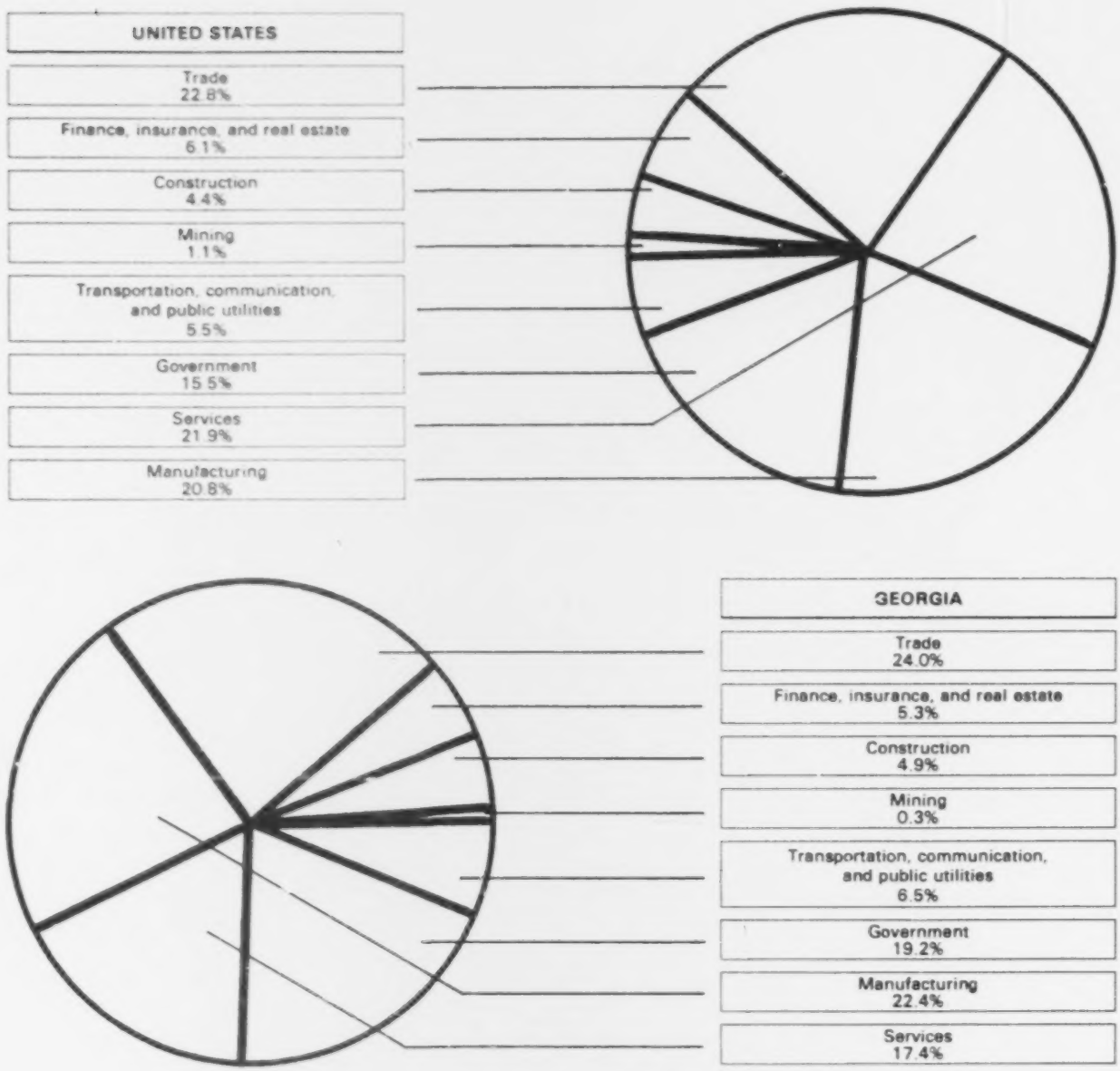
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
1983

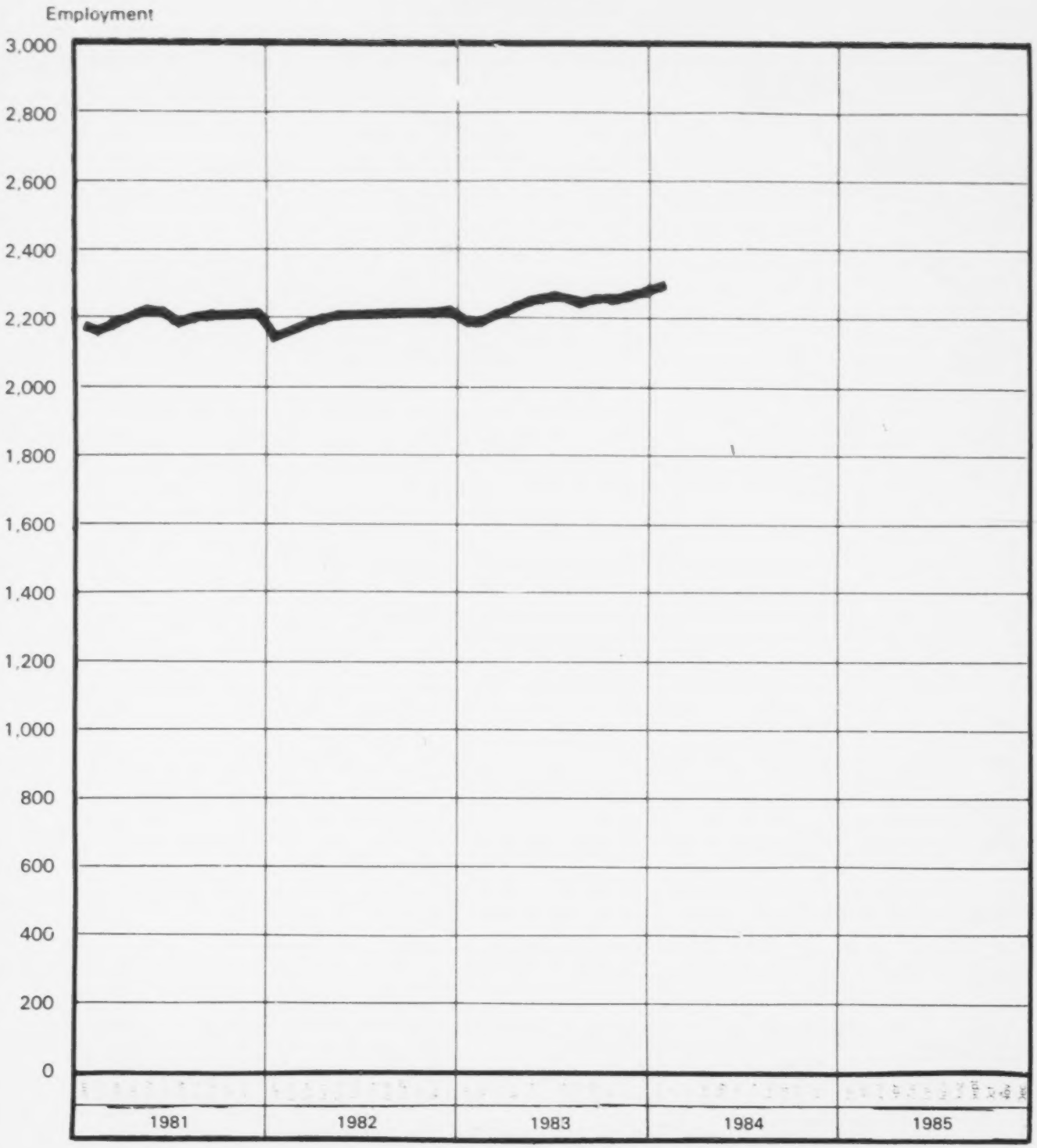


construction costs, and high interest rates. Although down from the 6.3 percent of 1973 to 4.9 in 1983, the division's share of jobs has been almost unchanged over the past five years.

The remaining divisions show little change. Mining and transportation, communications, and public utilities declined 0.1 percent each, and finance, insurance, and real estate increased by the same amount.

NOTE: Georgia narrative written by Joyce Morris, Principal Statistical Analyst, (404) 656-3177.

TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands)



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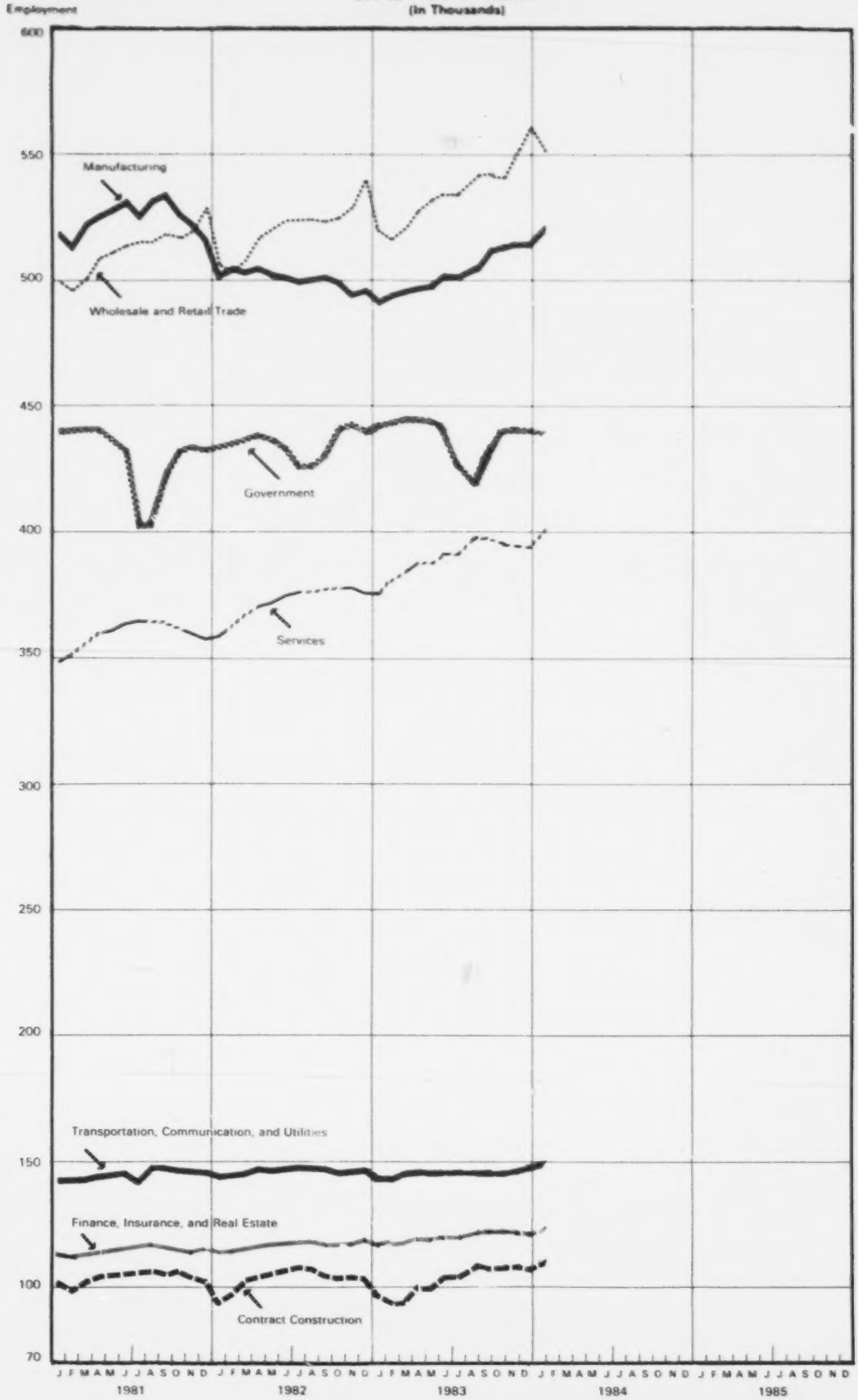

GEORGIA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	2,308.8	2,341.3	2,192.3	-32.5	116.5
Manufacturing	300005	521.6	522.0	489.3	-.4	32.3
Durable Goods	300025	191.7	191.9	174.8	-.2	16.9
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	31.0	31.1	28.4	-.1	2.6
Logging Camps, Sawmills, and Planing Mills	324195	14.5	14.5	13.5	.0	1.0
Furniture and Fixtures	325005	10.1	10.1	9.7	.0	.4
Household Furniture	325105	6.4	6.4	6.1	.0	.3
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	17.1	17.3	16.3	-.2	.8
Primary Metal Industries	333005	15.7	15.7	15.2	.0	.5
Fabricated Metal Products	334005	20.0	20.1	17.8	-.1	2.2
Machinery, except Electrical	335005	21.8	21.8	19.7	.0	2.1
Electric and Electronic Equipment	336005	26.6	26.5	23.2	.1	3.4
Transportation Equipment	337005	37.3	37.0	32.9	.3	4.4
Other Durable Goods	399915	12.2	12.3	11.7	-.1	.5
Nondurable Goods	400015	329.8	330.2	314.5	-.4	15.3
Food and Kindred Products	420005	57.5	58.7	56.5	-1.2	1.0
Meat Products	420105	20.6	21.2	20.2	-.6	.4
Poultry Dressing and Poultry Processing	420185	15.6	15.9	15.1	-.3	.5
Dairy Products	420205	4.1	4.2	4.1	-.1	.0
Bakery Products	420505	9.2	9.4	8.9	-.2	.3
Textile Mill Products	422005	106.2	105.8	99.4	.4	6.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton	422105	22.5	22.8	22.7	-.3	-.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetic	422205	3.4	3.4	3.2	.0	.2
Knitting Mills	422505	9.1	9.1	8.8	.0	.3
Floor Covering Mills	422705	30.6	30.1	26.7	.5	3.9
Yarn and Thread Mills	422805	22.0	22.2	20.7	-.2	1.3
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	71.3	70.5	67.3	.8	4.0
Men's and Boys' Clothing	423175	39.9	39.2	37.5	.7	2.4
Women's and Children's Clothing	423335	21.8	21.6	20.7	.2	1.1
Paper and Allied Products	426005	28.2	28.2	27.5	.0	.7
Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills	426135	13.4	13.3	13.1	.1	.3
Paperboard Containers and Boxes	426505	6.9	7.0	6.8	-.1	.1
Printing and Publishing	427005	26.8	26.9	25.6	-.1	1.2
Commercial Printing	427505	10.3	10.4	10.1	-.1	.2
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	18.3	18.1	17.3	.2	1.0
Agricultural Chemicals	428705	2.5	2.4	2.5	.1	.0
Leather and Leather Products	431005	1.9	1.9	1.9	.0	.0
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	19.6	19.9	18.9	-.3	.7
Nonmanufacturing	000060	1,787.2	1,819.2	1,703.0	-32.0	84.2
Mining	100005	7.6	7.6	7.1	.0	.5
Contract Construction	200005	110.9	117.0	97.0	-6.1	13.9
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	150.0	152.0	144.2	-2.0	5.8
Transportation	500015	87.8	89.9	84.1	-2.1	3.7
Communication (except U.S. Postal Service)	548005	39.0	39.0	37.9	.0	1.1
Electric, Gas, and Sanitary Service	549005	23.2	23.2	22.1	.0	1.1
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	556.6	577.3	522.7	-20.7	33.9
Wholesale Trade	650005	172.4	173.0	162.4	-.6	10.0
Wholesale Trade, Durable Goods	650015	105.7	105.8	99.0	-.1	6.7
Wholesale Trade, Nondurable Goods	651005	66.7	67.2	63.4	-.5	3.3
Retail Trade	652005	384.2	404.3	360.3	-20.1	23.9
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	122.5	122.6	118.0	-.1	4.5
Finance	760025	54.4	54.3	51.3	.1	3.1
Insurance Carriers, Agents, and Brokers	763045	43.0	42.9	42.9	.1	.1
Real Estate	765075	25.1	25.4	23.9	-.3	1.2
Services	800005	400.7	402.9	375.2	-2.2	25.5
Government	998008	439.0	439.8	438.7	-.8	.3
Federal	998011	86.9	86.5	85.5	.4	1.4
State and Local	998509	352.0	353.3	353.1	-1.3	-1.1

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers throughout Georgia. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

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SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

GEORGIA PRODUCTION WORKERS (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Manufacturing	300005	392.8	393.0	372.1	-.2	20.7
Durable Goods	300025	140.5	140.8	129.8	-.3	10.7
Nondurable Goods	400015	252.3	252.2	242.3	.1	10.0
Selected Industries:						
Food and Kindred Products	420005	40.7	41.6	38.7	-.9	2.0
Textile Mill Products	422005	88.0	87.5	84.1	.5	3.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	422105	19.6	19.8	20.2	-.2	-.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	422205	2.9	2.9	2.7	.0	.2
Knitting Mills	422505	7.7	7.7	7.4	.0	.3
Floor Covering Mills	422705	24.8	24.2	21.6	.6	3.2
Yarn and Thread Mills	422805	18.5	18.7	17.5	-.2	1.0
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	60.5	59.7	57.5	.8	3.0
Men's and Boys' Clothing	423175	34.2	33.5	32.2	.7	2.0
Women's and Children's Clothing	423335	18.4	18.2	17.7	.2	.7
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	24.3	24.4	23.0	-.1	1.3
Furniture and Fixtures	325005	8.1	8.1	8.2	.0	-.1
Paper and Allied Products	426005	21.9	21.8	21.4	.1	.5
Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills	426135	10.6	10.5	10.2	.1	.4
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	10.7	10.6	10.4	.1	.3
Leather and Leather Products	431005	1.3	1.4	1.6	-.1	-.3
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	13.5	13.7	13.0	-.2	.5
Primary Metal Industries	333005	11.2	11.3	10.7	-.1	.5
Fabricated Metal Products	334005	14.4	14.5	13.5	-.1	.9
Machinery, except Electrical	335005	15.4	15.6	13.7	-.2	1.7
Electric and Electronic Equipment	336005	19.1	19.0	16.7	.1	2.4
Transportation Equipment	337005	24.2	23.9	21.3	.3	2.9

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NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

GEORGIA HOURS AND EARNINGS

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
		CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83
Total Manufacturing	300005	$306.12	$311.39	$279.20	41.2	42.3	40.0	$ 7.43	$ 7.37	$ 6.98
Durable Goods	300025	353.58	370.24	320.90	42.6	44.5	41.3	8.30	8.32	7.77
Nondurable Goods	400015	279.57	279.07	253.68	40.4	41.1	39.4	6.92	6.79	6.44
Selected Industries:										
Food and Kindred Products	420005	$277.02	$269.05	$255.57	40.5	39.8	39.5	$ 6.84	$ 6.76	$ 6.47
Textile Mill Products	422005	259.49	263.34	237.19	40.8	42.0	39.4	6.36	6.27	6.02
Weaving Mills, Cotton	422105	270.70	270.92	247.65	42.1	42.8	40.4	6.43	6.33	6.13
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	422205	302.76	289.28	274.56	43.5	43.5	41.6	6.96	6.65	6.60
Knitting Mills	422505	249.35	224.07	206.03	43.9	40.3	38.8	5.68	5.56	5.31
Floor Covering Mills	422705	253.11	281.01	249.89	39.0	43.5	40.5	6.49	6.46	6.17
Yarn and Thread Mills	422805	252.95	251.43	244.62	39.4	40.1	40.3	6.42	6.27	6.07
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	181.50	183.26	170.35	36.7	38.1	36.4	4.94	4.81	4.68
Men's and Boys' Clothing	423175	181.72	180.38	172.94	36.2	37.5	36.4	5.02	4.81	4.74
Women's and Children's Clothing	423335	177.47	179.16	166.70	37.6	38.2	36.8	4.72	4.69	4.53
Lumber and Wood Products	524005	239.66	244.51	230.45	41.2	43.2	41.3	5.72	5.66	5.58
Furniture and Fixtures	525005	224.13	242.21	206.00	41.2	47.4	41.7	5.44	5.11	4.94
Paper and Allied Products	426009	487.68	489.13	456.73	44.7	45.5	44.5	10.91	10.75	10.31
Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills	426135	575.51	572.40	511.21	46.6	47.7	45.2	12.35	12.00	11.31
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	404.12	402.04	355.31	43.5	43.7	41.9	9.29	9.20	8.48
Leather and Leather Products	431005	143.72	142.27	148.42	35.4	34.7	36.2	4.06	4.10	4.10
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	532005	329.33	338.26	325.18	41.9	43.2	41.7	7.86	7.83	7.75
Primary Metal Industries	533005	401.72	398.82	346.71	41.5	41.2	39.0	9.68	9.68	8.89
Fabricated Metal Products	534005	312.56	370.04	293.15	42.7	46.9	41.0	7.32	7.89	7.15
Electric and Electronic Equipment	536005	388.08	420.96	371.45	47.5	49.7	46.9	8.17	8.47	7.92
Transportation Equipment	537005	545.69	578.56	488.01	42.9	45.2	40.6	12.72	12.80	12.02

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data exclude supervisory, sales, clerical, and other office personnel. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis, reflecting changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, as well as any premium pay for overtime and late shift work.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

SEASONAL DOWNTURN IN ATLANTA'S JANUARY EMPLOYMENT

A decrease of 15,200 jobs from December in the Atlanta area was primarily because of post-holiday season layoffs in the trade industries. A decline in services, cutbacks in manufacturing, and less activity in construction accounted for the remainder of the downturn. Transportation and public utilities, finance, insurance and real estate, and government recorded very slight changes.

In manufacturing, both durable and nondurable goods industries experienced losses, with the nondurables accounting for 80 percent of the drop. Small gains in the durable goods sector by lumber and wood products, primary metals, and transportation equipment were more than offset by losses in stone, clay, and glass products, fabricated metal products, and nonelectrical machinery. All industries in nondurables declined except textile mill products and chemicals. Food and kindred products, printing and publishing, and "other nondurable goods" accounted for 80 percent of the loss.

From the same month last year, manufacturing rose 8,200. Almost 80 percent of this increase was in the durable goods sector as all industries posted gains. Among the nondurable goods industries, only food and kindred products and textile mill products failed to exhibit increases.

For the current month, nonmanufacturing declined 13,100 from December, but rose 57,000 from January 1983. Construction, trade, and services experienced the greatest declines for the month, but posted the greatest increases over the year.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Atlanta Area's Newest Mall Opens

Gwinnett Place, located at the intersection of Interstate 85 and Pleasant Hill Road, opened February 1. Hudgens, Cadillac Fairview and Corporate Property Investors of New York were joint-venture partners on the mall, which they estimate cost over $100 million to build.

The lure of one of the nation's fastest growing counties, with a young and affluent citizenry and an abundance of fashion conscious youngsters, has attracted Rich's, Davison's, Sears, and a mixture of smaller stores ranging from specialty shops to restaurants. Usually, Rich's and Davison's build moderate-size stores in new areas, leaving room to expand later, but both department store chains built full-size units at Gwinnett Place, attesting to their confidence in the new market.

The new mall will employ approximately 2,000 people, the vast majority from Gwinnett County. *(The Atlanta Constitution,* 1/30/84)

Air Atlanta Launches Service

Early in February, Air Atlanta, the first jet airline to be founded in Atlanta this decade, launched its business-oriented carrier service to Memphis and to New York's Kennedy International Airport with specially reconfigured Boeing 727-100's. *(The Atlanta Constitution,* 1/30/84)

Companies to Build in Atlanta Industrial Park Enterprise Zone

The Atlanta Economic Development Corporation announced on January 31 that seven companies have decided to build new facilities at the Atlanta Industrial Park enterprise zone. The AEDC says the commitments will create 1,100 jobs. *(The Atlanta Constitution,* 1/30/84)

Ground Breaking for Marquis One

Ground breaking ceremonies were held February 3 for the Peachtree Center Marquis One, a 30-story structure to be developed by architect John Portman. The building is scheduled for completion late next year. *(The Atlanta Constitution,* 1/30/84)

Addition to Merchandise Mart Under Construction

A 600,000-square-foot addition to the Merchandise Mart is under construction at Spring Street and International Boulevard across from the Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel. The 22-story structure, designed by architect-developer John Portman, is scheduled to open in January 1986.

NOTE: Narrative written by Atlanta Area Analyst, Wendell N. Moss, (404) 656-5856.

ATLANTA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	1,078.7	1,093.9	1,013.6	-15.2	65.1
Manufacturing	300005	148.4	150.3	140.2	-1.9	8.2
Durable Goods	300025	77.0	77.4	70.5	-.4	6.5
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	3.0	2.9	2.8	.1	.2
Furniture and Fixtures	325005	4.2	4.2	3.8	.0	.4
Household Furniture	325105	2.2	2.2	1.9	.0	.3
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	8.0	8.2	7.2	-.2	.8
Primary Metal Industries	333005	5.0	4.9	4.8	.1	.2
Fabricated Metal Products	334005	8.7	9.0	7.3	-.3	1.4
Machinery, except Electrical	335005	7.6	7.9	7.3	-.3	.3
Electric and Electronic Equipment	336005	12.0	12.0	11.5	.0	.5
Transportation Equipment	337005	23.4	23.2	20.9	.2	2.5
Other Durable Goods	399915	5.1	5.1	4.9	.0	.2
Nondurable Goods	400015	71.4	72.9	69.7	-1.5	1.7
Food and Kindred Products	420005	19.1	19.5	19.1	-.4	.0
Meat Products	420105	5.1	5.4	5.4	-.3	-.3
Bakery Products	420505	3.5	3.6	3.5	-.1	.0
Textile Mill Products	422005	4.0	4.0	4.2	.0	-.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	422105	1.1	1.1	1.4	.0	-.3
Yarn and Thread Mills	422805	1.4	1.4	1.4	.0	.0
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	9.0	9.2	8.8	-.2	.2
Men's and Boys' Clothing	423175	3.7	3.8	3.7	-.1	.0
Women's and Children's Clothing	423335	3.0	3.0	3.0	.0	.0
Paper and Allied Products	426005	8.2	8.3	7.7	-.1	.5
Paperboard Containers and Boxes	426505	4.2	4.3	4.0	-.1	.2
Printing and Publishing	427005	16.9	17.4	16.2	-.5	.7
Commercial Printing	427505	7.4	7.6	7.4	-.2	.0
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	7.9	7.8	7.7	.1	.2
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	6.3	6.6	6.0	-.3	.3
Nonmanufacturing	000060	930.4	943.5	873.4	-13.1	57.0
Contract Construction	200005	53.9	55.9	43.0	-2.0	10.9
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	94.9	94.8	90.5	.1	4.4
Transportation	500015	60.8	60.7	57.1	.1	3.7
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	305.2	313.6	285.6	-8.4	19.6
Wholesale Trade	650005	112.3	112.9	107.2	-.6	5.1
Wholesale Trade, Durable Goods	650015	74.7	74.9	72.0	-.2	2.7
Wholesale Trade, Nondurable Goods	651005	37.6	38.0	35.2	-.4	2.4
Retail Trade	652005	192.9	200.7	178.4	-7.8	14.5
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	76.1	76.2	73.5	-.1	2.6
Finance	760025	30.3	30.1	28.0	.2	2.3
Insurance Carriers, Agents, and Brokers	763045	28.2	28.3	28.4	-.1	-.2
Services	800055	235.2	237.5	215.9	-2.3	19.3
Government	998008	165.1	165.4	164.9	-.3	.2
Federal	998011	34.4	33.7	33.7	.7	.7
State and Local	998509	130.7	131.7	131.2	-1.0	-.5

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ATLANTA PRODUCTION WORKERS (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Manufacturing	300005	102.4	103.9	98.2	-1.5	4.2
Durable Goods	300025	55.3	55.7	51.7	-.4	3.6
Nondurable Goods	400015	47.1	48.2	46.5	-1.1	.6
Selected Industries:						
Food and Kindred Products	420005	12.1	12.5	12.2	-.4	-.1
Textile Mill Products	422005	3.3	3.3	3.5	.0	-.2
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	7.0	7.2	7.1	-.2	-.1
Men's and Boys' Clothing	423175	3.3	3.4	3.3	-.1	.0
Women's and Children's Clothing	423335	2.3	2.2	2.4	.1	-.1
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	2.2	2.2	2.1	.0	.1
Furniture and Fixtures	325005	3.2	3.2	3.3	.0	-.1
Paper and Allied Products	426005	6.1	6.2	5.9	-.1	.2
Paperboard Containers and Boxes	426505	2.9	3.0	2.7	-.1	.2
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	4.2	4.1	3.8	.1	.4
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	6.4	6.6	5.8	-.2	.6
Primary Metal Industries	333005	3.2	3.2	2.9	.0	.3
Fabricated Metal Industries	334005	5.4	5.5	5.2	-.1	.2
Machinery, except Electrical	335005	5.5	5.9	5.3	-.4	.2
Transportation Equipment	337005	14.9	14.6	13.1	.3	1.8

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Atlanta area, which includes Butts, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, and Walton Counties. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

ATLANTA HOURS AND EARNINGS

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83
Total Manufacturing	300005	$356.73	$367.79	$324.26	40.4	41.7	39.4	$ 8.83	$ 8.82	$ 8.23
Durable Goods	300025	392.23	414.07	355.21	40.9	42.6	39.6	9.59	9.72	8.97
Nondurable Goods	400015	314.42	314.20	290.09	39.8	40.7	39.2	7.90	7.72	7.40
Selected Industries:										
Food and Kindred Products	420005	$308.90	$310.49	$292.30	39.2	40.8	40.1	$ 7.88	$ 7.61	$ 7.04
Textile Mill Products	422005	247.81	240.12	212.91	42.8	42.2	38.5	5.79	5.69	5.53
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	169.80	173.54	165.49	34.1	35.2	33.5	4.95	4.93	4.94
Men's and Boys' Clothing	423175	153.19	163.02	170.50	31.2	33.0	34.1	4.91	4.94	5.00
Women's and Children's Clothing	423335	161.22	173.68	158.93	36.1	35.3	32.5	5.02	4.92	4.89
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	239.13	235.19	208.50	37.5	38.8	37.1	5.87	6.01	5.62
Furniture and Fixtures	325005	238.56	258.72	229.76	42.0	48.0	42.6	5.68	5.39	5.37
Paper and Allied Products	426005	379.54	390.76	377.44	41.8	42.8	42.6	9.08	9.13	8.86
Paperboard Containers and Boxes	426505	367.50	364.00	355.28	41.2	41.6	42.6	8.92	8.75	8.34
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	380.56	375.58	345.07	41.7	41.5	40.6	9.27	9.05	8.45
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	312.40	333.33	300.93	40.0	42.9	37.9	7.81	7.77	7.94
Primary Metal Industries	333005	595.61	580.11	464.04	46.1	44.9	39.9	12.92	12.92	11.63
Fabricated Metal Products	334005	351.02	436.47	334.13	41.2	44.4	40.5	8.52	9.58	8.25
Transportation Equipment	337005	581.15	622.29	520.51	41.1	41.7	38.8	13.97	14.24	13.41

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data exclude supervisory, sales, clerical, and other office personnel. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis, reflecting changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, as well as any premium pay for overtime and late shift work.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

ALBANY SMSA

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment in the Albany SMSA, at 44,500, declined 600 during the month and gained 800 over the year. Most of the monthly decline was in the retail trade sector as employment returned to pre-holiday levels. During the year, an increment of 800 was estimated. Most of the gain was in trade, construction and local government.

Manufacturing, at 10,400, declined 100 during the month and was unchanged over the year. Both durable and nondurable goods were unchanged for the month despite small fluctuations within those categories. Over the year, a gain of 100 in nondurable goods was offset by a loss in durable goods.

Contract construction, at 2,000, was unchanged for the month and up 200 over the year. Officials in Albany report no appreciable change in requests for building permits over the past month. There is speculation that interest rates may be raised later in the year, which would have a negative effect on the construction industry.

Transportation, communications, and utilities, at 2,300, experienced a slight decline during the month due to a loss in transportation. Over the year, the division remained steady.

Trade, at 10,500, declined 400 over the month and gained 500 during the year. Retail trade lost 300 in January as businesses returned to normal staffing after the holidays. The retail sector gained 500 during the year. Wholesale trade declined slightly during the month and was unchanged for the year.

Finance, insurance, and real estate, at 2,000, declined 100 during the month and was unchanged over the year. The loss during the month was in the finance division.

Services, at 6,100, declined 100 over the month and year. Business services declined during the month, while health services were down for the year.

Government, at 11,200, gained 100 over the month and 300 for the year. All of the gains were in the state and local portions of the category.

NOTE: Narrative written by Albany Area Analyst W. David Wilson (912) 439-4787.

ALBANY NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	44.5	45.1	43.7	-.6	.8
Manufacturing	300005	10.4	10.5	10.4	-.1	.0
Durable Goods	330025	1.9	1.9	2.0	.0	-.1
Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, and Machinery	333055	1.1	1.0	1.1	.1	.0
Other Durable Goods	399915	.9	.9	.9	.0	.0
Nondurable Goods	400015	8.5	8.5	8.4	.0	.1
Food and Kindred Products	420005	2.3	2.4	2.4	-.1	-.1
Textile Mill Products	422005	1.4	1.4	1.4	.0	.0
Chemicals	428005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	4.2	4.2	4.1	.0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	34.1	34.7	33.3	-.6	.8
Contract Construction	200005	2.0	2.0	1.8	.0	.2
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	2.3	2.4	2.3	-.1	.0
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	10.5	10.9	10.0	-.4	.5
Wholesale Trade	650005	2.8	2.9	2.8	-.1	.0
Retail Trade	652005	7.7	8.0	7.2	-.3	.5
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	2.0	2.1	2.0	-.1	.0
Services and Mining	800055	6.1	6.2	6.2	-.1	-.1
Government	998008	11.2	11.1	10.9	.1	.3
Federal	998011	2.9	2.9	2.9	.0	.0
State and Local	998509	8.2	8.2	8.0	.0	.2

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Albany area, which includes Dougherty and Lee Counties. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

ATHENS NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	55.6	54.9	53.2	.7	2.4
Manufacturing	300005	14.6	14.8	13.9	-.2	.7
Durable Goods	300025	4.9	4.9	4.6	.0	.3
Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, and Machinery	333055	2.4	2.4	2.4	.0	.0
Other Durable Goods	399915	2.5	2.5	2.1	.0	.4
Nondurable Goods	400015	9.7	9.8	9.4	-.1	.3
Food and Kindred Products	420005	2.7	2.8	2.9	-.1	-.2
Textile Mill Products	422005	2.4	2.5	2.2	-.1	.2
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	3.5	3.4	3.1	.1	.4
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	1.1	1.1	1.1	.0	.0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	41.0	40.1	39.3	.9	1.7
Contract Construction	200005	1.7	1.8	1.4	-.1	.3
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	1.5	1.5	1.6	.0	-.1
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	10.5	10.6	10.2	-.1	.3
Wholesale Trade	650005	2.0	2.0	2.0	.0	.0
Retail Trade	652005	8.4	8.6	8.2	-.2	.2
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	1.7	1.7	1.7	.0	.0
Services and Mining	800055	7.5	7.3	7.0	.2	.5
Government	998008	18.1	17.2	17.4	.9	.7
Federal	998011	2.1	2.0	2.0	.1	.1
State and Local	998709	16.0	15.2	15.4	.8	.6

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Athens area, which includes Clarke, Jackson, Madison, and Oconee Counties. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

AUGUSTA SMSA

Employment in the Augusta area dropped 1,600 over the month to 126,300, but rose 2,200 over the year. The monthly decline was primarily seasonal, reflecting after-Christmas layoffs in retail trade, services, construction, and manufacturing. A decrease in government also occurred. Annually, manufacturing, trade, finance, insurance, and real estate, and government recorded gains. Construction lost considerably with the completion of projects in Richmond County.

Manufacturing, at 33,500, dropped 300 over the month with declines in nondurables. Annually, manufacturing climbed 1,000, resulting from a moderate turnaround in the economy.

Lumber and wood products, at 700, was unchanged over the month, but rose 100 over the year because of more activity in building construction. Stone, clay, and glass products, at 3,300, climbed 100 over the month and 500 over the year for the same reason. Metals and machinery, at 2,600, remained the same over the month, but recorded an increment of 400 annually with more business in machinery. "Other durable goods," at 2,500, also was unchanged monthly, but recorded a rise of 100

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over the year with scattered increments.

Food and kindred products, at 2,900, dropped 100 due to exceedingly cold weather in some market areas, but rose 200 over the year with increments through most of the division. Textile mill products, at 6,000, was unchanged over the month, but decreased 600 over the year because more efficient machines replaced some older equipment. Apparel, at 2,000, was steady over the month and over the year. Printing and publishing, at 1,200, was unchanged over the month, but rose 300 annually because of more business in commercial printing. Cyclical movements in this segment are reflected in services due to contract agreements. "Other nondurable goods," at 12,500, dropped 100 monthly, but rose 200 annually as most components reflected positive trends. The monthly decrement was concentrated in paper.

Construction, at 6,500, dropped 100 over the month and 900 over the year because of project completion. Transportation and public utilities, at 4,300, was unchanged monthly and annually. Trade, at 24,800, experienced a drop of 600 because of the usual after-Christmas downturn in retail sales from the December peak. This division rose 1,100 annually as existing firms expanded and others were established. Finance, insurance, and real estate, at 4,700, was unchanged over the month, but rose 200 annually. Services and mining, at 19,300, dropped 400 over the month as some health institutions declined in patient load over the holidays. This division recorded no change over the year. Government, at 33,200, dropped 200 monthly, but reported an increase of 700 over the year. The monthly decline was in the state and local sector while the annual increment was shared by all segments of government.

NOTE: Narrative written by Augusta Analyst, Jack Herrington, (404) 828-3131.

AUGUSTA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	C00000	126.3	127.9	124.1	-1.6	2.2
Manufacturing	300005	33.5	33.8	32.5	-.3	1.0
Durable Goods	300025	9.0	9.0	8.1	.0	.9
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	.7	.7	.6	.0	.1
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	3.3	3.2	2.8	.1	.5
Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, and Machinery	333055	2.6	2.6	2.2	.0	.4
Other Durable Goods	399915	2.5	2.5	2.4	.0	.1
Nondurable Goods	400015	24.5	24.7	24.4	-.2	.1
Food and Kindred Products	420005	2.9	3.0	2.7	-.1	.2
Textile Mill Products	422005	6.0	6.0	6.6	.0	-.6
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	2.0	2.0	2.0	.0	.0
Printing and Publishing	427005	1.2	1.2	.9	.0	.3
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	12.5	12.6	12.3	-.1	.2
Nonmanufacturing	000060	92.7	94.1	91.5	-1.4	1.2
Contract Construction	200005	6.5	6.6	7.4	-.1	-.9
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	4.3	4.3	4.3	.0	.0
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	24.8	25.4	23.7	-.6	1.1
Wholesale Trade	650005	4.3	4.3	4.1	.0	.2
Retail Trade	652005	20.5	21.2	19.6	-.7	.9
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	4.7	4.7	4.5	.0	.2
Services and Mining	800055	19.3	19.7	19.3	-.4	.0
Government	998008	33.2	33.4	32.5	-.2	.7
Federal	998011	8.2	8.2	7.9	.0	.3
State and Local	998509	25.0	25.2	24.5	-.2	.5

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Augusta area, which includes Richmond and Columbia Counties, Georgia, and Aiken County, South Carolina. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

COLUMBUS SMSA

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment, at 82,400, declined 600 from the December estimate. Manufacturing employment remained steady from December, while nonmanufacturing employment lost 700. Employment increased 3,600 from January 1983 as manufacturing and nonmanufacturing shared the gain equally.

Manufacturing employment, at 21,100, remained the same as December and revealed a gain of 1,800 from one year ago. Over the year, metals and machinery gained 600 workers, while textile mill products increased by 400 workers. The remainder of the increase was shared by stone, clay, and glass products, "other durable goods," food and kindred products, apparel and other finished textile products, and "other nondurable goods."

Nonmanufacturing employment, at 61,300, declined by 700 from last month's estimate. A gain of 1,800 was noted from January 1983 when 59,500 were employed. Contract construction employment, at 4,700, rose 100 from last month and increased 1,000 from one year ago. Trade employment dropped 800 workers from December, 700 of whom were in retail trade. Over the year, trade gained 500 workers including 100 in wholesale and 400 in retail. Finance, insurance, and real estate remained the same from December and rose 100 from last year. Services and miscellaneous remained constant from the previous month and increased 100 from one year ago. Government employment increased 100 from December and rose 200 from last year.

NOTE: Narrative written by Columbus Area Analyst, Richard Mann, (404) 571-7423.

COLUMBUS NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	82.4	83.0	78.8	-.6	3.6
Manufacturing	300005	21.1	21.1	19.3	.0	1.8
Durable Goods	300025	5.1	5.1	4.0	.0	1.1
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	.4	.4	.4	.0	.0
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	.5	.5	.4	.0	.1
Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, and Machinery	333055	3.5	3.5	2.9	.0	.6
Other Durable Goods	399915	.6	.6	.4	.0	.2
Nondurable Goods	400015	16.1	16.0	15.3	.1	.8
Food and Kindred Products	420005	3.9	4.0	3.8	-.1	.1
Textile Mills Products	422005	8.9	8.8	8.5	.1	.4
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	.8	.8	.7	.0	.1
Printing and Publishing	427005	1.1	1.2	1.1	-.1	.0
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	1.3	1.3	1.2	.0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	61.3	62.0	59.5	-.7	1.8
Contract Construction	200005	4.7	4.6	3.7	.1	1.0
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	3.0	3.0	3.1	.0	-.1
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	16.8	17.6	16.3	-.8	.5
Wholesale Trade	650005	2.7	2.8	2.6	-.1	.1
Retail Trade	652005	14.1	14.8	13.7	-.7	.4
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	5.4	5.4	5.3	.0	.1
Services and Mining	800055	11.8	11.8	11.7	.0	.1
Government	998008	19.6	19.5	19.4	.1	.2
Federal	998011	6.5	6.5	6.4	.0	.1
State and Local	998509	13.1	13.1	13.1	.0	.0

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Columbus area, which includes Chattahoochee and Muscogee Counties, Georgia, and Russell County, Alabama. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

MACON SMSA

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment in the Macon SMSA totalled 103,000 in January, up 300 from December and up 3,200 from January 1983. During the month, manufacturing added 200, with durable goods being unchanged and nondurable goods rising 200. Nonmanufacturing rose 200 with gains in transportation and public utilities; finance, insurance, and real estate; services; and government. Construction and trade registered declines.

Manufacturing, at 16,700, was up 200 from last month and up 500 from a year ago. During the month, durable goods was unchanged with small fluctuations in all segments. Nondurable goods advanced 200 with gains in food and apparel. Annually, durable goods increased 400 with most of the gain in "other durable goods." Nondurable goods added 100, with gains in food, textiles, and "other nondurable goods" being partially offset by declines in apparel and paper. Chemicals was unchanged during the year.

Nonmanufacturing, at 86,300, was up 200 from December and up 2,700 from January 1983. During the month, increases in transportation and public utilities; finance, insurance, and real estate; services; and government were partially offset by declines in construction and trade. Gains in services and government were mostly in education, while the drop in trade was because of layoffs of temporary employees hired for the holiday season. Annually, construction rose 500 with increases in general construction and special trades construction. Transportation and public utilities dropped 100, and trade registered an increase of 900. Wholesale trade accounted for one-third of the increase. Finance, insurance, and real estate added 200, and services was up 500. The increase in services occurred in private education and other services. The advance in government was in all segments.

NOTE: Narrative written by Macon Area Analyst, Tom G Matthews, (912) 744-6170.

MACON NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	103.0	102.7	99.8	.3	3.2
Manufacturing	300005	16.7	16.5	16.2	.2	.5
Durable Goods	300025	5.4	5.4	5.0	.0	.4
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	332005	1.1	1.1	1.1	.0	.0
Machinery, except Electrical	335005	.2	.2	.2	.0	.0
Other Durable Goods	399915	3.6	3.6	3.1	.0	.5
Nondurable Goods	400015	11.3	11.1	11.2	.2	.1
Food and Kindred Products	420005	2.5	2.4	2.4	.1	.1
Textile Mill Products	422005	1.6	1.6	1.4	.0	.2
Apparel and Other Textile Products	423005	1.9	1.8	2.0	.1	-.1
Paper and Allied Products	426005	2.1	2.1	2.2	.0	-.1
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	.3	.3	.3	.0	.0
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	2.9	2.9	2.8	.0	.1
Nonmanufacturing	000060	86.3	86.1	83.6	.2	2.7
Contract Construction	200005	4.5	4.7	4.0	-.2	.5
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	4.4	4.3	4.5	.1	-.1
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	21.7	22.6	20.8	-.9	.9
Wholesale Trade	650005	4.1	4.1	3.8	.0	.3
Retail Trade	652005	17.6	18.5	17.0	-.9	.6
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	6.4	6.3	6.2	.1	.2
Services and Mining	800055	18.3	17.5	17.8	.8	.5
Government	998008	31.0	30.7	30.2	.3	.8
Federal	998011	17.3	17.3	16.9	.0	.4
State and Local	998509	13.7	13.4	13.3	.3	.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Macon area, which includes Bibb, Houston, Jones, and Twiggs Counties. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

SAVANNAH SMSA

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment in the Savannah SMSA dropped to 91,000 in January. Manufacturing employment remained stable over the month. Nonmanufacturing employment declined 1,000, most of it seasonal; employment should return to normal within the next few months.

Manufacturing employment remained stable over the month. Although there were a few fluctuations in various sectors, none were significant.

Nonmanufacturing employment declined 1,000 over the month. Contract construction remained stable overall; however, heavy construction gained 200 over the month while building construction and special trade contractors each lost 100.

Marine cargo handling declined 300 over the month. January is usually a very slow month for the shipping industry. During February and March this sector should return to normal or slightly above normal levels as the economy improves. Motor freight and shipping services combined made up the remainder of the loss in this sector.

Wholesale and retail trade lost approximately 500 over the month. Although the drop is significant, it is seasonal. Retail department stores, restaurants and miscellaneous retail establishments accounted for the majority of the loss. The only sector to record a gain was food stores.

It is interesting to note that employment trends in Savannah were similar to national trends. The exception was construction which declined nationally while remaining stable in Savannah.

NOTE: Narrative written by Savannah Area Analyst, James W. Taggart, (912) 944-2131.

SAVANNAH NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Nonagricultural Employment	000000	91.0	92.0	87.8	-1.0	3.2
Manufacturing	300005	16.8	16.8	15.5	.0	1.3
Durable Goods	300025	7.6	7.7	6.9	-.1	.7
Lumber and Wood Products, except Furniture	324005	1.2	1.2	1.3	.0	-.1
Millwork, Plywood, and Prefabricated Structural Products	324305	.5	.5	.5	.0	.0
Transportation Equipment	337005	4.1	4.1	3.6	.0	.5
Other Durable Goods	399915	2.3	2.3	2.1	.0	.2
Nondurable Goods	400015	9.1	9.2	8.6	-.1	.5
Food and Kindred Products	420005	1.9	1.9	1.9	.0	.0
Paper and Allied Products	426005	4.4	4.4	4.1	.0	.3
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	1.5	1.5	1.4	.0	.1
Petroleum and Coal Products	429005	.6	.6	.6	.0	.0
Other Nondurable Goods	499915	.8	.8	.8	.0	.0
Nonmanufacturing	000060	74.2	75.2	72.3	-1.0	1.9
Contract Construction	200005	5.2	5.2	4.8	.0	.4
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities (except U.S. Postal Service)	500005	10.1	10.5	9.4	-.4	.7
Wholesale and Retail Trade	600005	21.1	21.6	20.8	-.5	.3
Wholesale Trade	650005	4.1	4.2	4.3	-.1	-.2
Retail Trade	652005	17.0	17.4	16.5	-.4	.5
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	700005	4.2	4.2	3.9	.0	.3
Services and Mining	800055	17.6	17.5	17.0	.1	.6
Government	998008	16.1	16.1	16.5	.0	-.4
Federal	998011	2.6	2.6	2.6	.0	.0
State and Local	998509	13.5	13.5	13.9	.0	-.4

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Employment and Training Administration, based upon monthly reports submitted by selected employers in the Savannah area, which includes Bryan, Chatham, and Effingham Counties. The estimates include all full and part-time wage and salary workers who were employed during or received pay for any part of the pay period including the twelfth of the month. Proprietors, domestic servants, self-employed persons, unpaid family workers, and personnel of the Armed Forces are excluded. Estimates based on 1983 benchmark.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

SAVANNAH PRODUCTION WORKERS (000's)

INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	NET CHANGE IN JOBS PREVIOUS MONTH	NET CHANGE IN JOBS CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO
Total Manufacturing	300005	11.9	11.8	10.7	.1	1.2
Durable Goods	300025	5.9	5.7	5.1	.2	.8
Nondurable Goods	400015	6.0	6.0	5.5	.0	.5
Selected Industries:						
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	1.0	.9	1.0	.1	.0
Paper and Allied Products	426005	3.1	3.1	2.9	.0	.2
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	1.0	1.1	.9	-.1	.1
Transportation Equipment	337005	3.7	3.6	2.5	.1	1.2

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NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

SAVANNAH HOURS AND EARNINGS

		AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
INDUSTRY	SERIES CODE	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83	CURRENT MONTH JAN. 84	PREVIOUS MONTH DEC. 83	CURRENT MONTH YEAR AGO JAN. 83
Total Manufacturing	300005	$415.34	$424.59	$374.82	43.4	44.6	41.6	$ 9.57	$ 9.52	$ 9.01
Durable Goods	300025	372.20	387.64	330.91	42.2	44.0	39.3	8.82	8.81	8.42
Nondurable Goods	400015	458.04	458.67	415.66	44.6	45.1	43.8	10.27	10.17	9.49
Selected Industries:										
Lumber and Wood Products	324005	$304.48	$317.03	$261.04	46.7	49.0	41.7	$ 6.52	$ 6.47	$ 6.26
Paper and Allied Products	426005	541.38	555.98	503.57	47.2	48.6	46.8	11.47	11.44	10.76
Chemicals and Allied Products	428005	356.18	369.37	313.07	40.8	42.9	40.5	8.73	8.61	7.73
Transportation Equipment	337005	407.95	415.27	416.81	42.1	42.9	44.2	9.69	9.68	9.43

NOTE: These preliminary estimates were prepared in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data exclude supervisory, sales, clerical, and other office personnel. Average earnings are computed on a "gross" basis, reflecting changes in basic hourly and incentive wage rates, as well as any premium pay for overtime and late shift work.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

SOURCE: Georgia Department of Labor.

UNITED STATES AND GEORGIA LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE
PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

AREA AND EMPLOYMENT	PRELIMINARY JAN. 1984	REVISED DEC. 1983	REVISED JAN. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED DEC. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED JAN. 1983
UNITED STATES (Seasonally Adjusted)					
Total Labor Force	112,215,000	113,824,000	112,344,000	-1,609,000	-129,000
Employed	103,190,000	104,629,000	100,821,000	-1,439,000	2,369,000
Unemployed	9,026,000	9,195,000	11,523,000	-169,000	-2,497,000
Rate	8.0	8.1	10.3	---	---
UNITED STATES (Not Seasonally Adjusted)					
Civilian Labor Force	111,025,000	111,795,000	109,779,000	770,000	1,246,000
Employed	101,270,000	102,803,000	97,262,000	-1,533,000	4,008,000
Unemployed	9,755,000	8,992,000	12,517,000	763,000	-2,762,000
Rate	8.8	8.0	11.4	---	---
GEORGIA					
Civilian Labor Force	2,655,870	2,722,238	2,625,727	-66,368	30,143
Employed	2,482,834	2,552,901	2,400,557	-70,067	82,277
Unemployed	173,036	169,337	225,170	3,699	-52,134
Rate	6.5	6.2	8.6	---	---
ALBANY SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	52,179	53,230	52,786	-1,051	-607
Employed	47,303	48,648	47,436	-1,345	-133
Unemployed	4,876	4,582	5,350	294	-474
Rate	9.3	8.6	10.1	---	---
ATHENS SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	65,897	67,878	65,593	-1,981	304
Employed	62,242	64,291	60,636	-2,049	1,606
Unemployed	3,655	3,587	4,957	68	-1,302
Rate	5.5	5.3	7.6	---	---
ATLANTA SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	1,122,495	1,151,370	1,096,703	-28,875	25,792
Employed	1,063,233	1,091,306	1,017,692	-28,073	45,541
Unemployed	59,262	60,064	79,011	-802	-19,749
Rate	5.3	5.2	7.2	---	---
AUGUSTA, GA.-S.C. SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	134,257	137,061	137,570	-2,804	-3,313
Employed	123,852	126,638	123,454	-2,786	398
Unemployed	10,405	10,423	14,116	-18	-3,711
Rate	7.8	7.6	10.3	---	---
COLUMBUS, GA.-ALA. SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	89,114	89,552	87,431	-438	1,683
Employed	81,405	82,887	78,623	-1,482	2,782
Unemployed	7,709	6,665	8,808	1,044	-1,099
Rate	8.7	7.4	10.1	---	---
MACON SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	109,007	110,448	108,534	-1,441	473
Employed	101,211	102,944	99,846	-1,733	1,365
Unemployed	7,796	7,504	8,688	292	-892
Rate	7.2	6.8	8.0	---	---
SAVANNAH SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	97,180	99,582	97,924	-2,402	-744
Employed	90,289	92,492	88,728	-2,203	1,561
Unemployed	6,891	7,090	9,196	-199	-2,305
Rate	7.1	7.1	9.4	---	---

Includes nonagricultural wage and salary employment, self-employed, unpaid family and private household workers, and agricultural workers. Persons in labor disputes are counted as employed. The use of unrounded data does not imply that the numbers are exact. Georgia and SMSA data have not been seasonally adjusted.

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AUGUSTA SMSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE
PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY JAN. 1984	REVISED DEC. 1983	REVISED JAN. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED DEC. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED JAN. 1983
AUGUSTA, GA.-S.C. SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	134,257	137,061	137,570	-2,804	-3,313
Employed	123,852	126,638	123,454	-2,786	398
Unemployed	10,405	10,423	14,116	-18	-3,711
Rate	7.8	7.6	10.3	---	---
RESIDING IN GEORGIA					
Civilian Labor Force	89,857	92,187	91,562	-2,330	-1,705
Employed	83,655	85,750	83,711	-2,095	-56
Unemployed	6,202	6,437	7,851	-235	-1,649
Rate	6.9	7.0	8.6	---	---
RESIDING IN SOUTH CAROLINA					
Civilian Labor Force	44,400	44,874	46,008	-474	-1,608
Employed	40,197	40,888	39,743	-691	454
Unemployed	4,203	3,986	6,265	217	-2,062
Rate	9.5	8.9	13.6	---	---

COLUMBUS SMSA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE
BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE
PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY JAN. 1984	REVISED DEC. 1983	REVISED JAN. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED DEC. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED JAN. 1983
COLUMBUS, GA.-ALA. SMSA					
Civilian Labor Force	89,114	89,552	87,431	-438	1,683
Employed	81,405	82,887	78,623	-1,482	2,782
Unemployed	7,709	6,665	8,808	1,044	-1,099
Rate	8.7	7.4	10.1	---	---
RESIDING IN GEORGIA					
Civilian Labor Force	69,654	71,346	69,190	-1,692	464
Employed	65,390	66,778	63,584	-1,388	1,806
Unemployed	4,264	4,568	5,606	-304	-1,342
Rate	6.1	6.4	8.1	---	---
RESIDING IN ALABAMA					
Civilian Labor Force	19,460	18,206	18,241	1,254	1,219
Employed	16,015	16,109	15,039	-94	976
Unemployed	3,445	2,097	3,202	1,348	243
Rate	17.7	11.5	17.6	---	---

The Augusta Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Richmond and Columbia Counties, Georgia, and Aiken County, South Carolina. The Columbus Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area includes Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties, Georgia and Russell County, Alabama. Data have not been seasonally adjusted.

GEORGIA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE
BY METROPOLITAN AND NONMETROPOLITAN RESIDENCE
PERSONS 16 YEARS OLD AND OVER

RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS	PRELIMINARY JAN. 1984	REVISED DEC. 1983	REVISED JAN. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED DEC. 1983	CHANGE FROM REVISED JAN. 1983
GEORGIA TOTAL					
Civilian Labor Force	2,655,870	2,722,238	2,625,727	-66,368	30,143
Employed	2,482,834	2,552,901	2,400,557	-70,067	82,277
Unemployed	173,036	169,337	225,170	3,699	-52,134
Rate	6.5	6.2	8.6	---	---
METROPOLITAN RESIDENCE					
Civilian Labor Force	1,652,445	1,692,636	1,629,722	-40,191	22,723
Employed	1,556,071	1,595,811	1,504,444	-39,740	51,627
Unemployed	96,374	96,825	125,278	-451	-28,904
Rate	5.8	5.7	7.7	---	---
NONMETROPOLITAN RESIDENCE					
Civilian Labor Force	1,003,425	1,029,602	996,005	-26,177	7,420
Employed	926,763	957,090	896,113	-30,327	30,650
Unemployed	76,662	72,512	99,892	4,150	-23,230
Rate	7.6	7.0	10.0	---	---

The sum of the Georgia part of Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas (SMSA's) includes the Catoosa, Dade and Walker County part of the Chattanooga SMSA but excludes the Aiken County, South Carolina, part of the Augusta SMSA and the Russell County, Alabama, part of the Columbus SMSA.

According to BLS definition, employed persons consist of individuals 16 years of age or older who: (1) did any work for pay or profit during the survey week; (2) did at least 15 hours of unpaid work in a family operated business; (3) were temporarily absent from their regular jobs because of illness, vacation, bad weather, industrial dispute or various personal reasons.

According to BLS definition, unemployed persons consist of individuals 16 years old or older who: (1) did not have a job during the survey week but were available to work and actively seeking work; (2) were not working and who were waiting to be called back to a job from which they had been laid off; (3) were not working and who were waiting to report to a new job within 30 days.

By definition, those persons previously employed in industries covered under state unemployment insurance laws consist of: (1) current unemployment insurance claimants; (2) persons disqualified from receiving benefits for nonmonetary reasons because they quit or were discharged for cause, but otherwise would have been eligible; (3) claimants whose benefits have been exhausted; (4) persons who either filed claims late or did not file.

Those major industrial/occupational groups not required under law to be covered by unemployment insurance consist of some nonprofit organizations, some farm workers, some government workers, some domestics, nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers.